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REMOVING THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF THE WHITE HOUSE POLICE FORCE

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Mr. HUNT, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1283]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1283) to remove the limitation on the numerical strength of the White House Police force, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purpose of this bill is to remove the present statutory limitation of 133 on the strength of the White House Police force. Present appropriations have raised the authorized strength to 170, which is the number considered necessary for the security of the President and of the White House grounds.

Until the act is amended, present appropriations bills are subject to a point of order. The House Appropriations Committee has recommended this change in order to accommodate existing law to actual practice.

The limitation on the size of the White House Police force will, of course, continue to be imposed by annual appropriations acts.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection (4) of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law in the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed

in black brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

TITLE 3, U. S. C., SECTION 203 (A) AS AMENDED BY SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW 693, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

SEC. 203 (a). The White House Police Force shall consist of such number of officers, with grades corresponding to similar officers of the Metropolitan Police Force, and of such number of privates, with grade corresponding to that of private of the highest grade in the Metropolitan Police Force, as may be necessary. [but not exceeding one hundred and thirty-three in number.] Members of the White House Police Force shall be appointed from the members of the Metropolitan Police Force and the United States Park Police Force from lists furnished by the officers in charge of such forces. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner.

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